

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 (Currently Amended) A method for using a partially encrypted document, comprising:

issuing a document usage request for using the partially encrypted document in a session;

authenticating the partially encrypted document;

receiving authorization to use the partially encrypted document;

receiving a session key for the session;

receiving a proxy key that delegates decryption to the session;

rendering a non-encrypted portion of the partially encrypted document;

performing a proxy transformation on the partially rendered, partially encrypted document using the proxy ~~key~~; and key,

wherein rendering a portion of the partially encrypted document and performing proxy transformation on the rendered portion of the partially encrypted document comprises a combination of performing partial rendering transformations and performing partial decryption transformations; and

decrypting the proxy transformed, partially rendered, partially encrypted document using the session key,

wherein the proxy key and the session key are used to decrypt the partially encrypted document as part of the session rendering process only, thereby assuring that only rendered images of the decrypted document are available to an end user.

2. (Previously Amended) The method for using a partially encrypted document of claim 1, further comprising:

retrieving terms and conditions of the session;

retrieving usage parameters and system resource information for the session;

and

comparing the retrieved usage parameters and system resources and the retrieved terms and conditions, wherein the authorized usage is based on comparison results of the retrieved usage parameters and system resources and the retrieved terms and conditions.

3. (Previously Presented) The method for using a partially encrypted document of claim 2, wherein the retrieved terms and conditions are associated with at least one of identification of the partially encrypted document and usage type.

4. (Previously Presented) The method for using a partially encrypted document of claim 1, wherein the document usage request contains at least one of document identification, usage type, and user identification.

5. (Previously Presented) The method for using a Previously Amended document of claim 1, wherein authenticating the Previously Amended document comprises at least one of:

checking a digital signature associated with the Previously Amended document; and

verifying integrity of each component of the Previously Amended document.

6. (Currently Amended) A usage authorization system for using a partially encrypted document, comprising:

a request receiving device that receives a document usage request for using the partially encrypted document in a session;

a document processing device that authenticates the partially encrypted ~~document;~~ document.

wherein the document processing device authenticates the partially encrypted document by at least one of checking a digital signature associated with the partially encrypted document, and verifying integrity of each component of the partially encrypted document;

a document source that authorizes usage of the partially encrypted document, and issues a proxy key that delegates decryption to the session;

an access device that, along with the document device, creates a session key for the session,

wherein the document processing device renders the partially encrypted document, performs proxy transformation on the rendered, partially encrypted document using the proxy keys, and decrypts the proxy transformed rendered partially encrypted document using the session key,

wherein the proxy key and the session key are used to decrypt the partially encrypted document as part of the session rendering process only, thereby assuring that only rendered images of the decrypted document are available to an end user.

7. (Previously Presented) The usage authorization system for using a partially encrypted document of claim 6, wherein the document source retrieves terms and conditions of the session, retrieves usage parameters and system resource information for the session, and compares the retrieved usage parameters and system resources and the retrieved terms and conditions, the authorized usage being based on comparison results of the retrieved usage parameters and system resources and the retrieved terms and conditions.

8. (Previously Presented) The usage authorization system for using a partially encrypted document of claim 7, wherein the retrieved terms and conditions are associated with at least one of identification of the partially encrypted document and usage type.

9. (Previously Presented) The usage authorization system for using a partially encrypted document of claim 6, wherein the document usage request contains at least one of document identification, usage type, and user identification.

10-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) The method for using a partially encrypted document of claim 1, wherein the session and proxy keys are not usable for directly decrypting the partially encrypted document without rendering the portion of the partially encrypted document and performing proxy transformation on the rendered portion of the document.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for using a partially encrypted document, comprising:

receiving a document usage request for using the partially encrypted document in a session;

authorizing use the partially encrypted document;

creating a session key for the session; and

issuing a proxy key that delegates decryption to the session, wherein the proxy key and the session key enable:

rendering a non-encrypted portion of the partially encrypted document;

performing a proxy transformation on the partially rendered, partially encrypted document using the proxy ~~key~~, and key,

wherein rendering a portion of the partially encrypted document and performing proxy transformation on the rendered portion of the partially encrypted document comprises a combination of performing partial rendering transformations and performing partial decryption transformations; and

decrypting the proxy transformed, partially rendered, partially encrypted document using the session key,

wherein the proxy key and the session key are used to decrypt the partially encrypted document as part of the session rendering process only, thereby assuring that only rendered images of the decrypted document are available to an end user.